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From my CHAMBERS, *Lincoln's-Inn.*

Have receiv'd another Converſation-Piece, which, tho' moſt of my Readers may, from the Introduction, think is another *Morning* Interlude, I have my Correſpondent's Authority to aſſure them the Scene opens about *Noon:* I muſt alſo put them in Remembrance, that as in one Picture ſeveral Scenes of Action may be introduced, the ſame Liberty is taken in this Dialogue; the Change of Scenes and Perſons are deſcrib'd in the ſame manner as if it was a Dramatic Performance.——The firſt Scene I have inſerted here; but two others, which would be too long for this Paper, I have reſerv'd for my next.

SCENE I. *A Coffee-Houſe.*

Prattle, Butterfly, Damplay, *at a Table.*

Pratt. BILLY *Butterfly*, my Dear, Good-morrow.——What the Duce are you poring over with ſuch a Politician-like Importance?

Butt. Nothing, *Prattle*, but the Play-houſe Adverſement; for, as wiſe as you thought I look'd on the Paper, Rat me if I had the leaſt Thought about what it contain'd.

Pratt. No, no, you was thinking of the Shepherdeſs I ſaw you with at the Maſquerade laſt Night.——Well, *Billy*, thou art an unaccountable Fellow; for, at Court or Play, or Opera or Maſquerade, you find ſome new Amour; and yet, you ſay, you are never in Love four and twenty Hours together.

Butt. Where's the Wonder? for, as *Harry Witwou'd* ſays, I look upon Love to be a kind of Infection of the Mind; and Beauty, therefore, will expel Beauty, as Poiſon does Poiſon.

Pratt. Was you not very well aſcertain'd of your Cure, you run great Dangers, by being eternally among the Women, and making one in all their Parties of Pleaſure or Frolick.

Butt. Why, 'faith, *Prattle*, I think I have had my Share of the fineſt Women——in Converſation, I mean.——

Pratt. Nay, no Equivocations, *Will.*

Butt. On my Faith then, to confeſs ingenuouſly, it is too hard upon me:——Now——this very Morning, Miſs *Fiddle-faddle* has ſent for me to go into the City with her and two or three more Ladies, to give my Opinion of ſome Curioſities which a *Weſt-India* Captain has to diſpoſe of a Pennyworth.——Then Madam *Nick-nack* has deſired me to go with her to Cox's Auction.——My Lady *Keen-wit* would engage me for the *Mall*; my Lady *Sonetta* for the Practice of the new Opera:——But I believe Madam *Curious*, and her Party, will fix me to pay a Viſit to the Great Man near *Charing-Croſs*:——I don't mean——Ha, ha, ha,——you know who, at *D*——*g*-*S*——*t*,——but the *Finland* Giant——Mynheer *Cajanus.*

Pratt. You are a happy Dog if you are half ſo happy as you deſcribe yourſelf;——you may ſing, with the *Harlequin* I ſaw at *Paris*,

O happy Rogue, as e'er was born!
Thy Roſes grow without a Thorn.

Dampl. Gentlemen, Good-morrow——What News to Day?

Butt. I never read the foreign Mails, and there is nothing worth reading in our own dull Papers, but at what Play-houſe is the beſt Play, and at what Coffee-houſe the beſt Blacking Balls and Bruſhes.

Dampl. As to your Blacking Balls, I can't ſay much; but as to your Play-houſes, there is nothing new at them.——We han't had a new Piece all the Seaſon; no, not a poor Farce.——

Pratt. Then you have been out of your Element; for to ſit in Judgment on a new Piece, head a Party, make a Noiſe in the Pit, us'd to be the Delight of your Soul.

Dampl. But alas! our Authors grow ſo dull, or our Licencers, as well as Manager, ſo very curious, that I hardly ever expect to ſee another new Performance exhibited.

Butt. Have you deſerted the Theatres? I never ſee you there.——

Dampl. O Child! except the firſt Night of a new Piece, I am always behind the Scenes, or romping in the Green Room:——I am a Critick;——I am let into the Secret; I make Parties; all the Actreſſes are very courteous to me.——

Pratt. Will you introduce me one Night?——There is Miſs *Pert*, is a very pretty Girl;——if ſhe has as much Wit as Beauty, I am afraid ſhe would make a Conqueſt of my Heart.

Dampl. Ha, ha, ha! I find you know little of Stage Beauties.——Why, *Jack*, ſome Actreſſes, like ſome Pictures, look beſt at a Diſtance, and by Candle-light.——But, 'faith, they are no ſuch great Beauties when you conſider them in any other manner but as Actreſſes:——It is your ſeeing them on the Stage raiſes your Ideas;——for what *Dryden* ſaid long enough ago of them is true enough;

And tho' before meer Dowdies they appear,
We take them in, and they turn Beauties here.

Butt. Ay, ay, true enough.——I kept a Dancer once;——but rat me if I could give any Reaſon, but becauſe ſhe danced at the Play-houſe.

Pratt. There are more of your Opinion. But come, Where ſhall we dine?

Butt. I have ten thouſand Engagements from *Groſvenor-ſquare* to the *Exchange.*

Dampl. I am to meet the Maſter of *Covent-Garden* Play-houſe, to hear a Tragedy read.——The Poet has made Intereſt for me to be of his Party, and I cannot refuſe.——

Pratt. Well then, adieu.

Butt. Adieu.

Dampl. Adieu [*Exeunt.*]

To the AUTHOR *of the* SPECTATOR.

SIR,

I Am obliged, by the poſitive Commands of one of your fair Readers, to tranſmit the following Stanzas to you. The Simplicity of the Tale, as it is founded on recommending the Cauſe of Virtue, may pleaſe better than a more labour'd Eſſay: But the beſt Recommendation is, that the Story is partly true.

Yours,

Norfolk. L. *A.*

The GENEROUS LOVER.

At St. *Oſyth by the Mill.*

DOWN by a Valley's Side
There dwell't a noble 'Squire,
In Youth's gay Bloom and Pride,
Was each gay Nymph's Deſire.
But though with every Art,
To charm he was adorn'd,
Still roving was his Heart,
And Nuptial Rites he ſcorn'd.

There liv'd, that Valley near,
Within a lonely Cot,
A Maid, by Nature fair,
By Fate of humbleſt Lot;
Her Life to Virtue true,
With Innocence was bleſs'd,
Her Days no Sorrow knew,
Her Nights no want of Reſt.

But ah! how Fate decrees!
How ſtrange are Paſſions mov'd!
The 'Squire this Maiden ſees,
And when he ſaw he lov'd:
He told his am'rous Flame,
But told it all *in* vain;
She, careful of her Fame,
Could all his Arts reſtrain.

Gallants, of higheſt Birth,
To meaneſt Arts deſcend,
Regard not Virtue's Worth,
But Paſſion's all their End:
Yet here no Art avail'd,
No Paſſion could perſuade,
He in his Project fail'd,
She's ſtill a virtuous Maid.

What then could *Love* impart?——
What *Honour* ſhould command;
And where he gave his Heart
He gave his Nuptial Hand.
In humble Maidens fair,
So much can *Virtue* move,
When Paſſion is ſincere,
Such is the *Force* of *Love.*

To HENRY STONECASTLE, *Eſq*;

SIR,

IF the Turn of the following Lines is not too *Political*, by inſerting them you will oblige

A TRUE-BRITON.

To a Gentleman very fond of French Wine *and* French Cookery.——

An Imitation of the laſt Ode of the firſt Book of Horace.

I Hate, *Dear Jack*, ſincerely hate,
All your vain mimic Pomp and State,
Shew Nature without Art;
Forbear to have your *French Ragouts*,
The *Roaſt Beef* of Old *England* chuſe,
And ſhew an *Engliſh* Heart.

Let, like our Souls, our Feaſt be plain,
By humble *Port*, as by *Champaign*,
We prove our honeſt Party;
And when we toaſt——*Great Britain's Weal*——:
May no SCREEN Britain's *Foes* conceal——
Who doubts that we are hearty?

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FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

Peterſbourg, Jan. 23. The Company of 300 Grenadiers, ennobled by the Empreſs, began to mount Guard a few Days ago in the fine Cloathing which her Imperial Majeſty has given them. She never calls them by any other Name than *My Children*, and they call her *Mother*. One of them having forgot himſelf ſo far as to commit a Fault which could not be overlook'd, the Empreſs immediately order'd him to be degraded, and reduced to the Rank of a private Soldier; after which ſhe ſent for the whole Company, and ſaid to them, 'Learn from the Example of your Comrade, that if 'I have raiſed you to the Rank of Gentlemen, I ex-'pect that you ſhew yourſelves as ſuch by your Sen-'timents and Behaviour; that is the only Way to de-'ſerve that I look upon you as my Children. There-'fore, every one of you that ſhall do any thing un-'worthy of a Gentleman, muſt expect the ſame Treat-'ment as him whom I have degraded.' The Empreſs's Behaviour on this Occaſion proves how well ſhe knows how to make her Authority reſpected.

Madrid, Jan. 23. As it is uncertain whether there may not be occaſion for ſending more Forces to Italy, the King has ſent down Orders into every Province of this Kingdom, to inliſt every fifth Man fit to bear Arms: This will produce 21,039 Men, according to the Liſt drawing up at the War Office.

Rome, Jan. 27. Count *Daun*, Miniſter from the Queen of Hungary, had a few Days ſince a private Audience of the Pope, in which he declar'd, 'that as her 'Hungarian Majeſty had reſolv'd to make the utmoſt 'Efforts againſt the Enemies that propoſe to attack her 'in Lombardy, ſhe hoped that his Holineſs would be 'pleaſed to grant Paſſage for 6000 Croatians,' who 'are to embark at Trieſte in order to land at Cape 'Goro in the Ferrareze, and then march through that 'Province into the Mantuan.' The Pope gave his Conſent to this Requeſt, upon Condition that thoſe Troops ſhall obſerve a ſtrict Diſcipline and keep the Route that ſhall be preſcribed them.

Riga, Jan. 30. The Prince and Princeſs of Brunſwick are ſtill detain'd here by Orders from Court. Their Highneſſes have been deſir'd, when they write to Germany, to put nothing in their Letters but juſt an Account of their Health, without touching upon the Affairs of Ruſſia. The Governor has likewiſe ſhewn them an Order, by Virtue of which he entreated them not to take it amiſs that he open'd the Letters they receive. The Princeſs has writ a long Memorial with her own Hand, and ſent it to Peterſbourg. The Duke of Holſtein has paſſed through this City in his way to Peterſbourg. The Paſſage of his Royal Highneſs will undoubtedly contribute to the ſpeedy Departure of the Prince and Princeſs of Brunſwick.

Ratiſbon, Feb. 5. We have Advice that the Auſtrians have demanded a Contribution of 100,000 Florins of the City and Territory of Straubingen, and the ſame Sum of the Town and Territory of Landſhut: That Wilſhofen, Ortenbourg, Eichendorff, Reifpach, and other adjacent Places have likewiſe been taxed, ſome at 4000 Florins, others at 3000, &c. That the Inhabitants are reduced to the greateſt Miſery, being utterly unable to pay thoſe Contributions, and at the ſame time expoſed to inevitable Ruin if they do not furniſh them at the appointed Time. Moſt of the Villages between Ratiſbon and Straubingen are forſaken by the Inhabitants, and at Munich they are putting the City in a Poſture of Defence.

Copenhagen, Feb. 6. It is ſaid, that at the Expiration of the Term for which the King of Great Britain has taken 6000 of our Troops into his Pay; his Majeſty will recall that Corps. It is alſo given out, that a certain Power intends to hire thoſe 6000 Men, and has made very advantageous Propoſals to have them augmented to 12,000. The Ruſſian, Pruſſian and French Miniſters are very aſſiduous at Court.

Schaffhouſen, Feb 8. The Army under the Command of the Veldt-Marſhal Kevenhuller enter'd Bavaria the 1ſt Inſtant. Paſſau and Braunau have ſurrender'd to the Auſtrians. The Saxons have abandon'd Teutſch-Brod on the Frontiers of Bohemia.

Delft, Feb. 9. Yeſterday between Two and Three o'Clock, a Houſe where Gunpowder was made, about a Quarter of a League from hence, blew up, by which terrible Blaſt one Stove was deſtroy'd, and another greatly damag'd; eight Mills were likewiſe blown up. Four Workmen periſh'd by this Accident the Stables belonging to the Houſe were entirely thrown down, and moſt of the Horſes were kill'd. The two Magazines, which are but a little Way from the Houſe, were in great Danger, the Tiles being blown off of one of them, a Beam which was on Fire fell upon the Arch of the Vault where the Powder was kept, but by ſpeedy Aſſiſtance the Misfortune was prevented that was apprehended therefrom, which would have been no leſs than the total Deſtruction of the whole City. Beams and other Materials of the Buildings were carried an incredible Diſtance; Trees were torn up by the Roots; the Gardens all round for a great Diſtance were deſtroy'd; many Houſes were much damag'd in their Roofs and Windows on the outſide, and all the China and other brittle Ware were broken within; Doors faſten'd with Bars and Bolts of Iron were by the Violence of the Blaſt burſt open, and the moſt frightful Noiſe attending this Calamity that was ever heard.

Francfort, Feb. 11. The new Emperor is to be crown'd To-morrow. No Day is fixed as yet for the Empreſs's Coronation. A Reſolution has been taken to raiſe ſeveral Regiments of Imperial Troops.

Bruſſels, Feb. 12. According to our laſt Advices from France ſeveral Regiments are to march out of their Winter Quarters in the Beginning of next Month, and form a Camp near Dunkirk; and 25,000 French Troops are to paſs the Rhine forthwith at Fort Louis, and march into Bavaria.

LONDON.

The Repreſentation of the Lord Mayor, Aldermen and Commons of the City of LONDON, *in Common-Council aſſembled, to the Right Hon. Sir* Robert Godſchall, *Knt. Lord Mayor, Sir* John Barnard, *Knt. Mr. Alderman* Lambert, *and Mr. Alderman* Heathcote, *their Repreſentatives in Parliament.*

THIS Court doth take this publick Occaſion to acknowledge their grateful Senſe of your vigilant and faithful Conduct in Parliament, which hath already contributed to the Production of many good Effects.

As they have now reaſon to hope for a Change of Meaſures as well as of Men, they deſire you will ſtrenuouſly promote all thoſe ſalutary Laws as are or ſhall be propoſed in the Houſe of Commons, ſuch as the *Place Bill*, a *Penſion Bill*, and the Repeal of the *Septennial Act*, in order to reſtore the antient Freedom of our Conſtitution, and ſecure it againſt all future Attempts either of open or ſecret Corruption, or of any undue Influence whatſoever.

And more particularly they recommend that you will perſiſt, with unwearied Diligence, to make the earlieſt and ſtricteſt Enquiry into the Cauſes of all paſt Miſmanagements, and exert your utmoſt Endeavours to prevent the like for the future.

And they further expect that you will extend ſuch Enquiry to all Perſons who in their reſpective Employments have contributed to the complicated Evils, which have ſo long oppreſs'd and diſhonour'd this Nation.

And they congratulate themſelves and the whole Kingdom, that from the Virtue and Spirit of the preſent Parliament every odious Name of Diſtinction will ſoon be loſt among us, and that from this happy Period they may date the entire Abolition of Parties, of which the moſt pernicious Uſe has hitherto been made, to the imminent danger of our Liberties.

For now they may reaſonably expect that thoſe who wiſh the real and ſolid Support of his Majeſty and his Royal Family, and are qualify'd by their Virtues and Abilities, may have it in their Power to ſerve both their King and Country; and that no Diſtinction will remain, but of thoſe who are Friends or Enemies to the Conſtitution, of thoſe who would maintain the Freedom and Independency of Parliament, and of thoſe who would ſubject it to *Corrupt* and *Miniſterial Influence*.

The following Obſervations are taken from Scripture.

'All the Inhabitants of the Iſles ſhall be aſtoniſh'd 'at thee. The Merchants among the People ſhall hiſs 'at thee; thou haſt been a Terror, and never ſhall 'be any more. *Ezek.* xxvii. two laſt Verſes.

'Now is the End come upon thee, and ſhall be 'judged according to thy Ways, and Recompence 'upon thee for all thine Abominations. The End is 'come, it watcheth for thee; behold it is come, and 'your Day of Trouble is near. *Chap.* vii.

'Take away the Wicked from before the King, 'and his Throne ſhall be eſtabliſh'd in Righteouſneſs. *Prov.* xxv. 5.

'When the Righteous are in Authority, the Peo-'ple rejoice; but when the Wicked beareth Rule, the 'People mourn. *Chap.* xxix. 2.

'Offend not againſt the Multitude of a City, and 'then thou ſhalt not caſt thy ſelf down among the 'People.' *Eccleſ.* vii. 7.

It is ſaid an *Embaſſador Plenipotentiary* will ſoon be ſent to France, to demand a *categorical Anſwer* of the *Cardinal* inſtead of proceeding in the old way of *Negotiation*.——This will be ſo new a Syſtem of Politicks to his *Eminency*, as will alarm him at this Juncture.

Weare aſſur'd a Colonel lately arriv'd from *America* declar'd at Court, that when the Forces decamp'd from *Cuba*, there was but 73 private Men able to bear Arms and do Duty, that the Officers had ſuffer'd as much as the common Soldiers, and that they had loſt more Men in a *hutted Camp* than they could before the Walls of St. *Jago*.——*Several Cauſes are attributed which made this Expedition ſo unhappy, but the real ones are kept a* profound Secret.

Thurſday the Right Hon. the Earl of Orford was at Court, and reſign'd all his Places to his Majeſty.

His Majeſty has been pleas'd to grant unto John Cocks, Eſq; and James Cocks, Eſq; his Son, or the longeſt Liver, the Office of Clerk of the Letters Patents in Chancery, a Place worth ſeveral hundred Pounds per Annum.

On Monday laſt the Board of Admiralty gave the Command of his Majeſty's Store-Ship the Portſmouth, of 20 Guns, to Mr. George Golling.

Thurſday was held a Board of Admiralty, when their Lordſhips were pleas'd to appoint the Hon. ——— Sherard, Eſq; Son to the Earl of Harborough, to be a Lieutenant of the Royal George, a 1ſt Rate, commanded by Captain Edward Faulkingham.

As likewiſe appointed Capt. Joſ. Gaſcoigne to be Commander of the Torbay Man of War, of 90 Guns.

Mr. Holloway is appointed by the Lords of the Treaſury Surveyor of Windows for part of the County of Somerſet.

We hear that Stewart Mackenzie, Eſq; Brother to the Earl of Bute, and Nephew to his Grace the Duke of Argyll, is choſen Member for Argyllſhire, in the room of Charles Campbell, Eſq; who died ſome time ſince in the Weſt Indies.

And William Douglas, Eſq; of Cavers, is elected for the Shire of Roxburgh, in the room of John Rutherford, Eſq; who has accepted a Place.

Thurſday Counſellor Denniſon and Counſellor Leeds were called to the Degree of Serjeants at Law in the Court of Common-Pleas, with the uſual Ceremonies; after which they gave a grand Entertainment in Lincoln's-Inn Hall, to the Lord Chancellor, the Judges, &c. at which were preſent a great many Perſons of Diſtinction.

We are inform'd an Expreſs is arrived at the Queen of Hungary's Miniſter's, giving an Account of an Engagement between the French and Bavarians and the Auſtrians in Bohemia; the latter were the Bodies under Lobcowitz and Kevenhuller, which had join'd, in which the former were entirely defeated, and 10,000 French and Bavarians cut to Pieces, or taken Priſoners.

An Account came on Thurſday, that the French and Spaniſh Fleets, conſiſting of thirty-two Sail, were join'd, and put into Port Spezzio, where they had landed 12,000 Spaniſh Troops; and that his Majeſty's Ship the Garland was ſail'd to Port Mahon, to give Admiral Haddock Intelligence thereof.

Letters from Leghorn, of the 5th of February, N. S. ſay, that they had been viſited with a ſecond Earthquake, the laſt and moſt terrible Shock of which happen'd on Saturday the 27th of January, N. S. which crack'd moſt of the Walls of their publick and private Buildings ſo much, that they apprehended the leaſt Repetition would lay them in Ruins; ſo that of 40,000 Inhabitants ſcarce 1,000 remain'd, the reſt having retir'd into the Country, or gone on board the Ships in the Mould and Harbour; but on the Date of the Letters ſeveral were return'd into the Town again.

A few Days ago Thynne Worſley, Eſq; only Son of Sir Robert Worſley, Bart. and Brother to the Right Hon. the Lady Carteret, was married to Miſs Withers, one of the Daughters and Coheirs of Charles Withers, of the County of Southampton, Eſq; deceas'd.

A few Days ago died at his Seat at Drayton, near Uxbridge, the Right Hon. the Lord Paget, Son and Heir Apparent to the Right Hon. Henry Paget Earl of Uxbridge. His Lordſhip married one of the Daughters of his Grace the Duke of Bridgewater, by whom he has left Iſſue ſeveral Children.

Laſt Week died the Rev. Mr. Henry Hamment, Rector of Chalton near Dover. The Living is in the Gift of the Rev. Mr. Monins, Rector of Ringwold, and Chief Maſter of the King's School in Canterbury.

Laſt Week died of a Fever at Worceſter, much lamented, the Rev. Dr. Birch, Prebendary and Chancellor of Worceſter, Rector of Fladbury in that County, a Living of 600 l. a Year, and Chaplain in Ordinary to his Majeſty.

Laſt Week died, at Cliff in Kent, Mr. Gunnins, the wealthieſt Yeoman and Farmer in thoſe Parts.

A few Days ſince died, at his Seat near Droitwich in Worceſterſhire, George Pemberton, Eſq; a Gentleman of a great Eſtate in that County, and a near Relation of the Right Hon. the Lord Bathurſt.

On Saturday Night laſt, at Eleven, died, after a Fortnight's Indiſpoſition, in the 40th Year of his Age, Mr. William Milward, belonging to the Theatre Royal in Drury-lane.

Tueſday Morning died at his Houſe at Hackney, Richard Howard, Eſq; one of the Directors of the South-Sea Company.

Tueſday a Diſpenſation paſs'd the Great Seal to enable the Rev. John Heylin, D. D. Chaplain in Ordinary to his Majeſty, to hold the Rectory of St. Mary Le Strand, in the County of Middleſex and Dioceſe of London, together with the Vicarage of Sundbury in the ſaid County and Dioceſe.

Laſt Week the Right Rev. the Lord Biſhop of Ely preſented Mr. Kelly, of Clare-Hall, to the Fellowſhip in Jeſus College, Cambridge, which became vacant by the Reſignation of the Rev. Mr. Staveley Parker, who is promoted at Portſmouth.

Thurſday the Rev. Mr. Maltus, of St. Luke's, was choſen, without Oppoſition, Lecturer of St. Mary Magdalen, Bermondſey, in the room of Mr. Foreſter, lately deceas'd. The Reaſon why this Gentleman met with no Competitor was, he had gain'd by his Behaviour, as Curate, ſo much the Affections of the Pariſhioners, that it was in vain for any Body to oppoſe him.

Wedneſday as they were meaſuring a Piece of Linnen Cloth at the King's Warehouſe, that had been ſeiz'd by ſome Officers belonging to the Cuſtoms, there were found artfully pack'd up therein ſeveral hundred Yards of Flanders Lace, which will make a fine Addition to the Seizure.

Divers of the Cities and principal Trading Boroughs, we hear, are preparing Remonſtances and Inſtructions to be preſented to their Repreſentatives relating to their Conduct in Parliament, in the preſent critical Situation of Affairs.

From Woolwich we hear, that the People belonging to the Train of Artillery there work Night and Day in the Elaboratory, preparing and filling a Magazine of Cartouches and Bomb-Shells, that are ſhortly to be employ'd on ſome extraordinary Expedition.

They write from Briſtol, that upon enquiring into the Affair of the Murder of Mr. Berkley Seymour of Bitton, by his Brother William Seymour, it appears that Berkley was in Bed when his Brother came to the Side thereof, and ſhot him into his Left Side, thro' his Coat, Waiſtcoat and Bed-Cloaths. His Body was found in an adjacent Room, with his Skull broke (as ſuppos'd) by the But-End of the Gun, ſo that his Brains came out; a great Quantity of Blood lay by him, and by the Stains of Blood on ſeveral Parts of the Ceiling, 'tis believ'd he made ſome Reſiſtance after he was ſhot.

Letters from Saliſbury mention, That as a Gentleman was riding with his Servant, within four Miles of that City, the Servant drew one of his Piſtols, and ſhot his Maſter in the Back, and then rode up to him, and fir'd the other Piſtol at his Head; but the Gentleman turning his Head at that Inſtant, the Ball only graz'd on his Ear; the Fellow then went to beat his Maſter with the Piſtol, but his Horſe was ſo frighten'd at the Report it had made, that he ſtarted and flew off: In the Interim three Travellers came by, to whom the Gentleman told the Story, and two of them immediately purſu'd the Fellow, and took him; the third conducted the wounded Gentleman to Town. The Footman, on his being taken, ſtabb'd himſelf in ſeveral Parts of his Body, that it is doubted whether he can recover. The Gentleman had the Ball taken out of his Back, and 'tis thought will do well. The Footman has confeſs'd, his Deſign was to murder his Maſter, rob him, and ride off with his Horſe. The Fellow is in Saliſbury Gaol.

We are inform'd it was Capt. Greenwood, who was going to pay a Viſit to Mr. Hoar, at Quarly in Hants; the Servant was one Gerr, a Frenchman, whoſe Reaſon for committing this raſh Action, as he ſays, was for his Maſter's ſtriking him a few Days before for a ſlight Offence.

On Thurſday Martin, otherwiſe Morgan, Nowland, was committed to the Gatehouſe by Col. De Veil, for feloniouſly enliſting Thomas Meridith, one of his Majeſty's Foot Guards, for the French King's Service; and attempted to enliſt three more, contrary to the Statute in that Caſe made and provided.

Letters from Jamaica confirm the Account formerly mention'd of the Sickneſs of the Land Forces return'd from Cuba; and add, that the General himſelf, to the great Concern of the People, had been ſeiz'd with the Diſtemper, and was like to recover.

They likewiſe mention, with Concern, the Death of Governor Trelawney's Lady, (Daughter of John Crawford, Eſq;) who by her natural Courteſy and Complaiſance had gain'd the Affections of the whole Iſland.

We hear by the Accounts from Jamaica, that the youngeſt Son of his Excellency Edward Trelawney, Eſq; Governor of that Iſland, died there ſoon after his Excellency's Lady.

Circuits appointed for the Lent Aſſizes.

Northern Circuit.

Lord Chief Juſtice Lee,
Mr. Baron Reynolds,

City of *York*, Monday, March 15, at the Guildhall of the ſaid City.

County of *York*, The ſame Day, at the Caſtle of York.

Lancaſter, Monday, March 29, at the Caſtle of Lancaſter.

Midland Circuit.

Lord Chief Juſtice Willes,
Mr. Baron Abney.

Northampton, Tueſday, March 9, at Northampton.
Rutland, Friday, March 12, at Oakham.
Lincoln, Monday, March 15, at the Caſtle of Lincoln.

City of *Lincoln*, the ſame Day at the City of Lincoln.

Nottinghamſhire, Friday, March 19, at Nottingham.
Town of *Nottingham*, Saturday, March 20, at the Town of Nottingham.
Derby, Monday, March 22, at Derby.
Leiceſter, Thurſday, March 25, at the Caſtle of Leiceſter.
Town of *Leiceſter*, Friday, March 26, at Leiceſter.
Coventry, Saturday, March 27, at Coventry.
Warwick, Monday, March 29, at Warwick.

Home Circuit.

Mr. Baron Carter,
Mr. Juſtice Forteſcue Aland,

Hertford, Thurſday, March 4, at Hertford.
Eſſex, Monday, March 8, at Chelmsford.
Kent, Monday, March 15, at Maidſtone.
Suſſex, Monday, March 22, at Eaſt Grinſtead.
Surrey, Wedneſday, March 24, at Guilford.

Oxford Circuit.

Mr. Juſtice Parker.
Mr. Juſtice Wright.

Berks, Monday, March 8, at Reading.
Oxford, Wedneſday, March 10, at Oxford.
Glouceſter, Saturday, March 13, at Glouceſter.
City of *Glouceſter*, The ſame Day at the City of Glouceſter.
Monmouth, Thurſday, March 18, at Monmouth.
Hereford, Saturday, March 20, at Hereford.
Salop, Thurſday, March 25, at Shrewſbury.
Stafford, Tueſday, March 30, at Stafford.
Worceſter, Saturday, April 3, at Worceſter.
City of *Worceſter*, The ſame Day at Worceſter.

From the London Gazette.

At the Court at St. James's, the 2d Day of February, 1741.

PRESENT,

The King's Moſt Excellent Majeſty in Council.

His Majeſty in Council was this Day pleaſed to appoint the following Sheriffs, viz.

Bucks,	Richard Eſtrigge, Eſq;
Devonſhire,	Charles Hayne, of Fuge, Eſq;
Derbyſhire,	John Ciſborne, junior, of Derby, Eſq;
Herefordſhire,	John Whitmore, of the Haywood, Eſq;
Staffordſhire,	William Murthall, of Bagnall, Eſq;
Suffolk,	Baron Prettyman, of Bacton, Eſq;
Suſſex,	Edward Tedcroft, of Horſham, Eſq;
Warwickſhire,	Edward Reppington, Eſq;
Yorkſhire,	Henry Darcy, Eſq;

SOUTH-WALES.

Carmarthen,	James Johnſon, of Carmarthen, Eſq;
Cardigan,	Thomas Lewis, of Llwyngrawis, Eſq;
Glamorgan,	Robert Morris, of Ynſharwen, Eſq;
Pembroke,	William Allen, of Gelliſwick, Eſq;

NORTH-WALES.

Flint,	Evan Lloyd the younger, of Halkin, Eſq;
Montgomery,	Henry Thomas, of Lawergarth, Eſq;

Whitehall, *Feb.* 9. The King has been pleaſed to grant unto the Right Hon. Sir Robert Walpole, Knight of the Moſt Noble Order of the Garter, the Dignities of a Baron, Viſcount and Earl of the Kingdom of Great Britain, by the Name, Stile and Title of Baron of Houghton, in the County of Norfolk, Viſcount Walpole, and Earl of Orford in the County of Suffolk.

The King has been pleaſed to ſignify his Pleaſure, by Warrant to the Right Hon. Francis Earl of Effingham, Deputy to his Grace Edward Duke of Norfolk, Earl Marſhal and Hereditary Earl Marſhal of England, that Mrs. Maria Walpole ſhall have and enjoy the ſame Place, Preeminence and Precedency in all Aſſemblies and Meetings whatſoever, as the Daughter of an Earl of the Kingdom of Great Britain.

BANKRUPTS.

George Harrow, of Portſmouth, in the County of Southampton, Mercer and Chapman.

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Thomas Ward, late of Ludgate-hill, London, Linnendraper.

Thomas Renniſon, late of Birmingham, in the County of Warwick, Thread-maker.

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John Bowra the younger, of Tonbridge, in the County of Kent, Dealer and Chapman.

John Wibird, of Gutter-Lane, London, Silverſmith.

Diſeaſes and Caſualties this Week.

Diſeaſes. Aged 57 Conſumption 90 Convulſion 127 Dropſy 22 Fever 103 Small-Pox 15 Teeth 36

Caſualties. Died in the Street 1 Drown'd 2 Exceſſive Drinking 1 Found dead 3 Kill'd 1 Overlaid 2 Scalded 1.

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